Adventure



A Romance of

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CHAPTER XV

NEWS OF JOAN. WEEK after the Upolu's departure the Malakula dropped auchor, and her skipper came ashore for a game of billiards and to shock Sheldon with the little surprise born of information he was bringing with him, Captain Auckland played the bil-Hards first, and it was not until be was comfortably seated in a steamer

chair, his second whisky securely in his hand, that he let off his bomb. "A great piece that Miss Lackland of yours," he chuckled. "Claims to be a part owner of Berande. Says she's

your partner. Is that straight?" Sheldon nodded coldly. "You don't say? That is a surprise! Well, she hasn't convinced Guvutu or the Martha. Tuingi of it. They're pretty used to irregular things over there, but-ha!

It is an ordinary business transaction." Sheldon strove to act as though such mons. "She invested something like £1.500 in Bernnde"-

"So she sald." "And she has gone to Sydney on business for the plantation."

"Oh, no, she hasn't."

er, wasn't she?"

"But didn't the Lipolu sail?" "The Upolu salled all right." Captain Auckland sloped his whisky with provoking slowness, "only Miss Luck-

hand wasn't a passenger." "Then where is she?" was going to Sydney to buy a schoon-

bought one, though I wouldn't give



" HOLD ON, SAYS I, WAIT TILL I SEE her 10 shillings for it if a nor wester

blows up, and it's about time we had "What schooner? Where is it? How

did she happen to buy it?" "First, the schooner Martha," the skipper answered, checking his replies off on his fingers; "second, the Martha is on the outside reef at Poonga-Poonga, looted clean of everything portable and ready to go to pieces with the first tilt of lively sen, and, third, Miss Lackland bought her at auction. She

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bid 50 myself for Morgan and Raff. My word, weren't they hot!
"'Twenty,' says I for my bid, Twenty-five,' says the little girl. 'Thirty.' says I. 'Forty,' says she. 'Fifty,' says | filly ashore. 'Fifty-five,' says she. And there I was stuck. 'Hold on.' says I; 'wait till I see my owners. 'No. you don't.' says she. 'It's customary,' says I. Not anywhere in the world, says she Then it's courtesy in the Solomons, says L. And then she smiles at Burnett as well-you know, one of those fetching smiles, and damme if Burnett doesn't begin singing out, 'Goin', goin', goin'-last bid-goin', goin' for 55 sovereigns-goin', goin', gone-to you, Miss -er-what name, please?"

"'Joan Lackland, says she with a smile to me, and that's how she bought drunk as well."

Sheldon experienced a sudden thrill. The Martha, a finer schooner than gated evil, your Miss Lackland. She's the Malakula and, for that matter, the sworn three men off their drink or, to sea would knock her bottom out. You "There is nothing irregular about it. finest in the Solomons—she was just the same purpose, shut off their whis settle down here, skipper, and rest up the Maiakuia and, for that matter, the sworn three men off their drint or, to the thing for recruits, and she was ky. right on the spot. Then he realized transactions were quite the common | that for such a craft to sell at auction | the Flibberty Gibbet along with her " place thing on plantations in the Solo- for £55 meant that there was small chance for saving her.

"But how did it happen?" he asked. "Weren't they rather quick in selling | the Solomons.

"Had to You know the reef at but laughed again. Poonga-Poonga. She's not worth tup-"At Guyutu last I saw of her. She and killed all hands. There was noth- use. side five minutes she was on the reef turn the service some day. "That's what she said. Well, she's and in possession. The niggers swarm for the smoke of the signal fires. Any-

way, they cleared out for Tungi " "But why didn't they fight?" Shel-

"It was funny they didn't, but they got separated. You see, two-thirds of ing the natives would attack. They found out their mistake too late."

"But what is Miss Lackland Intending to do.

Captain Auckland grinned. tha off, I should say, or else why did of yours"she pay 55 quid for her? And if she falls she'll try to get her money back by saving the gear spars, you know, and patent steering gear and winches, such things. At least that's what I'd do if I was in her place. When I sailed the little girl had chartered the Emily. 'I'm going recruiting,' says Munster. He's the skipper and owner now. 'And how much will you net on the cruise?' asks she, 'Oh, 50 quid.' says he. 'Good.' says she. 'You bring your Emily along with me and you'll get 75.' You know that big ship's anchor and chain piled up behind the coal sheds? She was just buying that when I left

girl of yours." "She is my partner," Sheldon cor-

and a cool one. My word: A white with your boat. Now please give a woman on Malaita and at Poonga-Peonga of all places; Oh, I forgot to was knocked down to her for 55 quid by the third assistant resident commissioner. I ought to know, !

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catastrophe. That's what she is-a me.' she says: 'I'm going on deck a catastrophe. She's gone through Gu- minute.' Now, that minute was half vutu and Tulagi like a nurricane. an hour. I hadn't had a drink in ten Every last swine of them in love with her, except Raff. He's sore over the auction, and he sprang his recrniting contract with Munster on her. And what does she do but thank him and read it over and point out that, while Munster was pledged to deliver all recruits to Morgan and Raff, there was no clause in the document forbidding

him from chartering the Emily. "'There's your contract,' says she. passing it back. 'And a very good contract it is. The next time you draw one up insert a clause that will fit emergencies like the present one.' And Lord, Lord, she had him too!

"But there's the breeze, and I'm off. Goodby, old man. Hope the little girl succeeds. The Martha's whacking fine boat, and she'd take the place of the

The next morning Sheldon came in from the plantation to breakfast to find the mission ketch Apostle at anchor. her crew swimming two mares and a

"Miss Lackland sent them," said Welshmere, the missionary doctor. stepping ashere and shaking hands with him. "There's also a box of saddles on board. And this letter from her. And the skipper of the Flibberty Gibbet.'

The next moment and before he could greet him Oleson stepped from the boat and began.

"She's stolen the Flibberty, Mr. Sheldon. Run clean away with her, She's a wild one. She gave me the fever Brought it on by shock. And got me

Dr. Welshmere laughed heartily.

"Nevertheless she is not an unmiti-Fowler. She shipped them on "She's the skipper of the Flibberty

now," Olesen broke in "And she'll wreck her as sure as God didn't make

Dr. Weishmere tried to look shocked.

"She has quite a way with her," he pence on it if any kind of a sea kicks said. "I tried to back out of bringing up, and it's ripe for a nor wester any the horses over. Said I couldn't moment now. The crowd abandoned charge freight, that the Apostie was her completely. You know Majaita, under a yacht deense, that I was go- company's addition, Moline, \$5,000. and you know Poonga-Poonga. That's ing around by Savo and the upper where they cut off the Scottish Chiefs end of Guadaleanar. But it was no ing to do but take to the bents. The 'You take the horses like a good man. Martha missed stays going in, and in- and when I float the Martha I'll re-

"And 'bother your orders,' said she ed over her, and they just threw the to me." Oleson cried. "Tm your rew into the bonts. I talked with boss now, said she, and you take some of the men. They swear there your orders from me.' 'Look at the were 200 canoes around her inside haif load of ivory nuts, I said. Bother an hour and 5,000 bushmen on the them, said she. 'I'm playin' for somebeach. Said you couldn't see Maianta thing bigger than ivory nuts. We'll dump them overside as soon as we get under way.' What I want to know is she your partner or sin't she! That's what I want to know.

"She is." Sheldon assured him, them were in the boats, without weap seen a few unlikely things in these block 14, First addition, Silvis, \$1,250. shotgun, ear ornaments that would line, \$715. shame the devit and nead bunting. Robert Kane to Daniel C. Grady, east an angel. I've seen them and got 10, \$12,000. "She's going to try to get the Mar. used to them, but this young woman

> "Miss Lackland is my partner and part owner of Berande," Sheidon in-

terrupted "So she said," the irate skipper dashed on. "But she had no papers to show for it. How was I to know? And then she's hired them drunken loafers, three of the worst scoundrets that ever disgraced the Solomons-15 quid a month each-what d'ye think of that? And sailed away with them too! Phew: You might give me | Second addition, Moline, \$4,000. a drink. The missionary won't mind. I've been on his tectotal hooker four

days now, and I'm perishing." Dr. Weishmere nodded in reply to Sheldon's look of inquiry, and Viaburi She's certainly a bustler, that little was dispatched for the whisky and si-

"It is evident, Captain Oleson," Sheldon remarked to that refreshed mari-"Well, she's a good one, that's all, ner, "that Miss Lackland has run away plain statement of what occurred."

"Right O. Here goes. I'd just come tell you. She palayered Burnett into in on the Flibberty. She was on board lending her eight rifles for her men before I dropped the hook-in that and three cases of dynamite. You'd whaleboat of ners with her gang of laugh to see the way she makes that Tahiti heathers, that big Adamu Guvutu gang stand around. And to Adam and the rest. 'Don't drop see them being polite and trying to the anchor, Captain Oleson, she sang give advice! Lord, Lord, man, that out. 'I want you to get under way for little girl's a wonder, a marvel, a-a-a Poonga-Poonga,' I says, 'Excuse me, Miss Lackland, and yells for ard 'Let

Don't Rot Your Clothes-Save Them "And then we had it out. I didn't be-Here her. I didn't think you'd take ham's Vegetable Compound. her on as a partner, and I told her as Do not ruin your cotton, linens, flannels, or much and wanted proof. She got high woolens by using washing powders or cheap adulterated soaps. Washing powders contain and mighty, and I told her I was old enough to be ber grandfather and that soda. Soda will ruin and rot the clothes. I wouldn't take gammon from a chit like her. And then I ordered her off the Flibberty. 'Captain Oleson,' she says, sweet as you please, 'I've a few minutes to spare on you, and I've got some good whisky over on the Emily. Come on along. Besides, I want your advice about this wrecking business. Everybody says you're a crackerjack sailorman'-that's what she said-'crackeriack.' And I went in her whaleboat, Adamu Adam steering and looking as solemn as a funeral.

'On the way she told me about the Martha and how she'd bought her and was going to float ber. She said she'd chartered the Emily and was sailing as soon as I could get the Flibberty under way. I was to sail direct for Poonga-Poonga and if I couldn't take her word that she was your partthe Flibberty. And right there's where

"Down in the Emily's cabin was them three soaks-you know them-Fowler and Curris and that Brahms chap. 'Have a drink, says she. I thought they looked surprised when she unlocked the whisky locker and sent a nigger for the glasses and wa- in vites all sick women to write ter monkey. But she must have tip her for advice. She has guided ped them off unbeknownst to me, and thousands to health and her they knew just what to do. 'Exerce advice is free.

"Well, anyway, at the end of the half hour down she came again and took a good squint at me. 'That'll do nicely.' I remembered her saying, and with that she took the whisky bottles and hove them overside through the companionway. 'That's the last,' she said to the three soaks, "till the Martha floats and you're back in Guyutu. It'll be a long time between drinks. And then she laughed.

"She looked at me and said-not to me, mind you, but to the soaks: 'It's time this worthy man went ashore'me! Worthy man! 'Fowler,' she said. 'just tell Adamu Adam to man the whaleboat, and while he's taking Captain Oleson ashore have your boat put me on the Flibberty. The three of you sail with me, so pack your dunnage. All hands got me over the side. and it seems to me I went to sleep sitting in the stern sheets and watching that Adamu steer. Then I saw the Flibberty's mainsail hoisting and heard the clank of her chain coming in, and I woke up. 'Here, put me on the Flibberty,' I said to Adamu. '1 put you on the beach, said he. 'Missie Lackalanna say beach plenty good for you.' And now I've come to find out whether I'm skipper of the Flibberty or that chit of yours with her pirating,

beathen boat's crew." "Never mind, skipper. You can take a vacation on pay." Sheldon spoke with more assurance than he felt. "If Miss Lackland, who is my partner, has seen fit to take charge of the Flibberty Gibbet, why, it is all right. As you will agree, there was no time to be lost if the Martha was to be got off. It is a bad reef, and any considerable You know them-Brahms. Curtis and get the fever out of your bones. When the Flibberty Gibbet comes back you'll take charge again, of

(To be Continued.)

COURT HOUSE RECORD

Real Estate Transfers.

lot 8, block C, Moline Water Power Western Washington, At 7 a. m. tract in northeast quarter, 10, 17, 1w, zero. Owing to the moderate high

lot 8. Candee subdivision, outlot 2, Can. is indicated for this vicinity tonic dee Grove, Moline, \$1,300. George O. Pool to Robert Watkins,

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Clarence M. Bills to Aaron Rapp, Board of Trade. Local telephones, No. "Well, who'd have believed it! I've undivided one-half interest in lot 20, west 336.] Solomons-rats two feet long, butter | John Martinson to Carl Martenson flies the commissioner bunts with a part for 5, Eklund's subdivision, Mo-

devils that make the devil look like half, southwest quarter, section 28, 18,

Essie and Claus Mongerson to Martin W. Conway, north half lot 2, northwest quarter, section 7, 16, 2w, \$1,609. Maitle E. Gray to Daniel Hayes, Jr., part lots 4 and 5, block 10, J. W. Spen-

cer's First ...dition, Rock Island, \$1. Gustav A. Andreen, trustee, to Augustana College and Theological Seminary, lot in northeast corner of southeast quarter, section 36, 18, 2w, \$1. Daniel C. Grady to M R. Metzger, trustee, part lot 8, block 6. Osborn's

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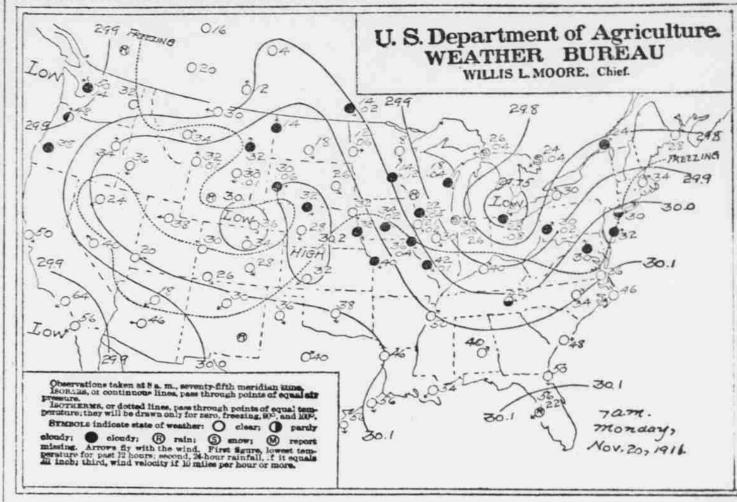
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FORECAST FOR ROCK ISLAND, DAVENPORT, MOLINE AND VICINITY.

Generally fair tonight and Tuesday, not much change in temperature, the lowest temperature tonight will be about 25 degrees.

OBSERVATIONS.

WEATHER CONDITIONS.

The low that was Saturday morn central in the Canadian northwest moved eastward to the lower lak causing light rain or snow from Missouri and upper Mississippi valle to the middle Atlantic sections. M erately high pressures and fair weath prevail from the Rocky mountain pl can southeastward to the gulf cor Gustaf Gullberg to Frank A. Herbst, though another low is appearing ov was coldest at Prince Albert, wh Frank A. Herbst to Gust Goldberg, the temperature was 4 degrees about the westward, generally fair weath William A. O'Brien to John Holland, without much change in temperatu and Tuesday.

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RIVER FORECAST.

During the next 48 hours only slight changes in the Mississippi will occur from below Dubuque to Muscatine, J. M. SHERIER, Local Forecaster.

Today's Market Quotations

rough 6.05@6.25.

Lambs 5.85.

Cattle steady, top 9.10.

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BOARD OF TRADE TRANSACTIONS. Wheat.

December, 86%, 96%, 96%, 96%. May, 101, 101%, 100%, 101. July, 94%, 95%, 94%, 94%. Corn.

December, 63%, 64%, 63%, 63%. May, 64%, 65, 64%, 64%. July, 64%, 64%, 64%, 64%. Oats.

December, 47½, 47%, 47½, 47%. May, 50, 50, 49%, 50. July, 46%, 46%, 46%, 46%.

Pork. January, 16.15, 16.22, 16.15, 16.17, May, 16.70, 16.70, 16.57, 16.62. Lard.

January, 9.25, 9.27, 9.20, 9.20, May, 9.52, 9.52, 9.42, 9.45. Ribs. January, 8.50, 8.50, 8.45, 8.45,

May, 8.70, 8.70, 8.65, 8.67.

THE GRAIN MARKET. Chicago Cash Grain.

Wheat-No. 2 r 98@99, No. 3 r 95@ U. S. Steel common 62% 100, No. 1 ns 108@111, No. 2 ns 106@ Rock Island preferred 50% 110. No. 3 ns 104@107, No. 2 s 98@104. Rock Island common 27 @ 104, durum 90@ 106.

No. 2 y old 76, No. 3 y old 74@75, No. Missouri Pacific 38%

Oats-No. 2 w 4914@5014, No. 3 w 48 Colorado Fuel & Iron 27 @49, No. 4 w 471/2@481/4, standard 4814@49%. Liverpool Cables.

Wheat opened unchanged to 1/4 higher; closed % to % higher. Corn opened unchanged; closed unchanged.

Chicago Receipts. Today, Contract. uffered nearly all Wheat 23 Corn 265 17 and bearing down Oats 76 34 Northwest Cars. To- Last Last day Week, Year.

weak that I was Winnipeg 845 1,018 935 Chicago Estimates Tomorrow. corsets all the time. Wheat 37 Primary Movement.

Receipts. Shipments. Wheat today1,218 000 215,000

> LIVE STOCK MARKET. Opening of Market.

Hogs 52,000. Left over 5,000. Marmixed 6.05@6.50, heavy 6.05@6.55, Cattle 24,000. Steady.

Sheep 42,000. Steady to 10c lower. Nine O'clock Market Hogs 5c lower than Saturday's average. Light 5.75@6.45, bulk 6.30@6.45, mixed 6.05@6.50, pigs 4.50@5.65, heavy

@ 6.25, porkers 6,35@ 6.45. @9.10, stockers 2.90@5.75 Texans 4.00 Erle 32% @5.70, cows 1.90@5.75, westerns 4.30 Lead 50 @7.30, calves 5.00@8.25 Chesapeake & Ohio 74% Sheap steady to 10c lower. Native Brooklyn Rapid Transit 77% lambs western 3.75@5.85. Locomotive 271/2 Close of Market. Hogs close fairly active at opening Copper 60% prices. Light 5.75@6.45, bulk 6.v0@ 6.45, mixed 6.05@6.50, heavy 6.05@6.55, Republic Steel common 23

> LOCAL MARKET CONDITIONS. Nov. 20 .- Following are the quotaions on the local market today: Eggs, 25c.

Butter-Dairy, 20c; creamery, 37c. Lard, 125/c. Feed and Fuel. Corn, per bushel, 72c.

Oats, 44c to 46c. Forage-Timothy hay, \$20. Clover hay, \$15. Wheat, 80c to 83c. Wild hay, \$14 to \$17. Straw, \$8. New corn, 60c.

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